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DETECTING RUB IN A	§	GERD:0332
TURBOMACHINE	§	

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON NOVEMBER 9, 2007**

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 9, 2007, Applicants amend and remark as follows.

***Authorization for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees***

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby provide a general authorization to treat this and any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request thereof. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$100 for additional claims, and any additional fees which may be required, to Deposit Account No. 07-0868; Order No. 133918-1 (GERD:0332/SWA).